

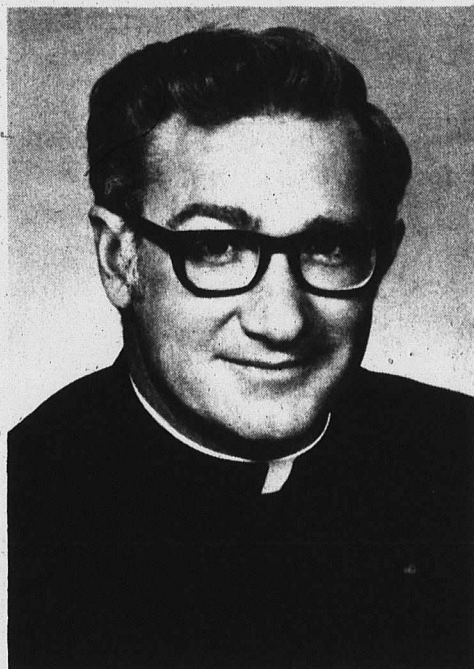
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President's Christmas Message

At this time of the year we rightly focus our attention on the Christmas story - a story that tells of God's love in images of poverty and peace. And this year, like other years, we try to learn the lesson one more time. We aren't trying to distract ourselves from the distressing realities of a world in which there is famine and wars, violations of human rights, even of the helpless unborn - all of these continue to mark our daily lives.



To remind us that Jesus is the light, Christmas time shines in light. This probably explains best why Christmas is a favorite, if not the principal, feast in the whole year. God, in His Son, Jesus, embraces this world. Not just those things that are pleasant, but the whole lot—even those things warped and dented by our sins.

If we can remain undistracted by the lights and pleasures, perhaps we can view the Christmas crib as a symbol of God's own commitment - from the stable to the cross - and see again just how lovable God thinks we are. Maybe we can see things in this light and recommit ourselves to living with and for others in the freedom and unity which Jesus brought and brings.

Charles Banet, C.P.P.S.

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PRESIDENT

Holidays Represent Love, Peace For Many Students

By TONY TILLER

On the whole, Christmas is usually associated with blinking, multicolored lights, Santa Claus, and commercials pressing you to buy "Baby Sez So". Thoughts of the new stereo or TV you might get for Christmas are constantly running through your head.

These thoughts are a product of a commercialized society that has commercialized the holiest day of the year: Christmas. On this day, we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child, Son of God. It is also a day when peace and goodwill are at the forefront of human emotions, and we are at peace. It is also a day when we are with our families and when we realize how lucky we are to be with them.

When we look at Christmas in our society and as a society, we see only the gaudy trappings. But when taken as individuals, people usually see the holiday in ways that show a deep understanding of what Christmas is all about. Some of the students who offered their views were:

Deb Frantz (sr.-Hal.)—The Christmas season allows us to look back at the many blessings bestowed upon us. This season, one specific blessing is evident in my mind—we have each other. Christmas occurs not only in December, but year-round at Saint Joe's. When we find hardships, we also find comfort. When we find joy, we find others to share it.

Kevin Meany (jr.-Gal.)—Christmas is basically a time of peace—peace in spirit and in mind.

Nancy Buchalter (fr.-Hal.)—Christmas means seeing friends back home

and having a chance to make them smile.

Bob Getty (so.-Gal.)—It means sharing with people who are close to you, and having good times with those people.

Sue Mescher (jr.-Jus.)—To me Christmas means a break from the hassles of school; when you can relax and enjoy yourself and not have to worry about the pressures of school for a while.

Mary Ann Mitchell (sr.-Jus.)—Christmas this year means graduation, and after that, a whole new way of life.

Jim Pronteau (so.-Gal.)—Christmas is being home with your family having a good time. It also is giving and receiving—a time when happiness and love for your fellow man abounds.

Krisztina Bardos (fr.-Hal.)—Christmas is a celebration of love.

Christmas is certainly all of these things. It is also brotherhood and love for your fellow man, peace, and goodwill to everyone. If I were to have one wish for the Christmas season, it would be this: that the spirits that reach their zenith at Christmas (love, peace, brotherhood, happiness) stay with everyone on earth for the rest of eternity.

This may seem like a strange wish, but think: after, and even during the Christmas season, war, hate, and injustice are going to get back all that which they lost this season. But we still have this season as hope that at least there will be a time in the year when love of man rules.

'Twas The Night Before Christmas, And...

'Twas the night before Christmas, and in every dorm,

Pumas were celebrating, quite true to form.

And all over campus could be heard rather clear,

The sound of carousing and guzzling beer.

From coeds in Justin, and Halas Hall too,

To the jocks in Aquinas, the Gallagher Zoo.

The turkeys in Noll, Bennett's Kannabis Kids,

Merlini and Seifert both hit the skids.

Drexel and Schwieterman then joined in the bash,

And partied all night until everyone crashed.

Then out in the dark there arose such a clatter,

Huggy sprang from his desk to see what was the matter.

In his frenzy he then called and contacted Banet,

Who told him be quiet, sit down and to can it.

Chuckie Robbins woke up, Father Gerlach did too,

And they woke up Jim Novak and the Food Service crew.

Upon hearing the noise, students drifted outside,

Where they joined the faculty as they gazed at the sky.

But what to their wondering eyes should appear,

But a plastered old man and eight mangy reindeer.

The crowd stood agape, then someone asked Shea,

If a new Wilson Fellow was expected that day.

But a glance at that driver, eyes glazed and speech thick,

We new in a moment it must be Saint Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,

As he hooed and he haed and he called them by name:

"Now Dasher! Now Dancer! Now Prancer and Vixen!

On Comet! On Cupid! On Donner and Blitzen!

Turn right at the smokestack. Look out for that wall!

Now dash away, dash away, dash away all."

Then over in Justin, Ma heard on the roof,

The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

"Horny Pumas! My girls!" as she leapt up too see,

What that staggering and stumbling could possibly be.

When he entered the lobby, she recognized his form,

Though he had no I.D., he was let in the dorm.

His eyes—how glassy! His dimples—how merry!

His cheeks were all flushed; his nose like a berry.

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,

And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.

He had a broad face, a big, round pot belly,

That shook when he laughed like a bowl full of jelly.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his rounds,

Giving gifts to both students and people in town.

The gift that he gave was so precious and dear,

(A year full of peace and a case full of beer).

He gave us love and brotherhood, for our mind and our spirit,

He gave this to people, far from campus and near it.

In a sobriety test he could not touch his nose,

He fell on his face, over the post office he rose.

He fell into the pond when he sprang for his sleigh,

"Oh good grief!" said Rueve, "Sacre bleu!" said Luzay.

Sopping wet in his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,

And away they all flew like the down on a thistle.

But we heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight,

"God Almighty," he said "What a heckuva night!"



A New Trend?

We are sure that everyone has noticed the Christmas decorations that have been put up around campus. These decorations may be the start of a new trend, and thanks should be extended to the many people who had a hand in decorating or in acquiring them for the campus and the dorms.

Special praise should be given to Ken Zawodny and Alfred Hentschel for having the decorations put up. They also had trees and tree trimmings sent to the dorms, both of which is a first for Saint Joe's. These were well received by the students, and many of them hope to see it done again in the following years.

The Student Association should be commended for its idea to offer prizes for the best-decorated floor. That in turn made the residents of the dorm work harder at preserving the decorations.

The SA has also done a fine job during the first semester, and although mistakes were made, we're sure that they are working to correct them. We also hope that the second semester will go smoothly for all the members of the SA.

In singling out two members of the SA, we, the students, would like Deb Frantz and Dan Clark to know that we are grateful for the extra-hard work that they have done this semester.

And all of the students can look back upon this past semester with a feeling of relief that it's finally over, and a feeling of anticipation of the next semester. On a sadder note, we would like to take this opportunity to say goodbye to our comrades who will not be returning next semester for whatever reason.

On a downbeat, we can readily feel mad that at this time of the year, when everyone is in a happy mood, that a student, or a group of students, cut down a California blue spruce in the nursery. Because of their selfishness, a most expensive tree is lost.

The editors of STUFF wish you a safe and happy holiday, and a joyous and peaceful new year.

Responsibility Key To Drinking Policy

Most students are at least vaguely aware that a new in-dorm drinking policy has been in the making. That policy is now complete and has already been successfully implemented. Noll broke the ice last month with the first all-campus dorm party this semester.

The revised restriction assumes two things: that students will accept responsibility for their own actions and that the whole campus will become concerned over the abuse of alcohol. Particularly, the policy hopes to eliminate drunkenness and dorm damage at dorm parties.

The new in-dorm drinking policy comprises the following guidelines:

1. Hall governors will organize and plan the parties and are responsible for enforcing all rules.
2. The hall governors will hire two seniors from the dorm or one regular security guard; the security people will be paid with dorm or otherwise collected funds. Justin and Halas may hire seniors from men's dorms.
3. Hall governors will also hire a student security person to monitor the party area and assure that no liquor leaves that area.
4. Residents of the dorm will take I.D.'s at the door from any students who are not residents of the hall, and the names will be recorded.

5. Each dorm will be allowed no more than two parties per semester.

6. The hall governors will circulate a petition in the dorm prior to the party; anyone who signs the petition agrees to be held financially liable for dorm damage that occurs at the party. Students who will not be at the party do not have to sign and thus will not have to pay in the event of dorm damage.

This policy reflects a great deal of thought and work on the part of the Student Senate and the Student Life Committee. The restrictions are not overly demanding—all they ask is that students act responsibly and that they respect the privilege of alcohol in the dorms. It is time students learn to control themselves so that they won't have to be controlled by countless handbook regulations.



"We've been flying around for two hours now, and we still can't find Rensselaer!"



For the most part, social activities for the second semester have not been finalized, but the SA officers are by no means going into the semester blind, due in part to the vast amount of constructive feedback they have received. Many new ideas concerning social activities will be implemented in the coming weeks in order to make the second semester's social life better and operate more smoothly. One of the ideas being acted upon calls for more diversification in the bands being booked. This will be done in hopes of pleasing the many and varied tastes on campus.

Many thanks are due to sponsors and officers for their cooperation and consideration throughout the semester, for without their immense help nothing would be accomplished. Let us continue into the new year and make the second semester equal to or better than the first.

Wednesday, Dec. 15, **Scrooge**, 7:30 and 10 p.m., auditorium. **Scrooge**, based on Charles Dickens' immortal classic **A Christmas Carol**, is perhaps the second best-remembered Christmas story. Having viewed the show every year from about age one and being it is "finals week," I think I'll finish my Core paper.

The Columbian Players are planning a series of one-act plays to be shown the last weekend in January. Two of the plays tentatively scheduled are "Next" and "Never The Less."

Here's wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and the happiest of all possible New Years to come.

Brad

P.S. Special thanks to all the people who make this column possible. Extra thanks to the demented residents of my dorm for their inspiration and support.

Letters To The Editors

Dear Editors:

I read with interest and sympathy in the November 11 issue of STUFF the letter of "Joe Puma" complaining of the film projection in the auditorium. I, too, have urged over the past two years that something be done to correct this continuing problem. In spite of many efforts to alleviate the difficulty, I understand the only cure is to purchase at least one new 35mm projector; and this is a very costly enterprise.

In the letter, some allusion was made to the HEW grant for upgrading the Non-Western Core program as a source of funds of a new projector. First of all, the federal government expressly prohibits the purchasing of new equipment with funds granted under this program. Secondly, I must add that this grant was awarded to support a clearly defined program of improving the Non-Western Core sector. My application was approved only after five years of unsuccessful bids that were quite instructive in developing the kind of program that would be supported. The money helped to finance Dr. Kerlin's study in Africa last summer and it fully provided: a South Asian Studies Workshop for our faculty here, also last summer; several two-day workshops on China and Africa by outstanding scholars during this year; greater outreach for better-quality lecturers overall; more films (for the 16mm projector); the Lalji Camara Dance Company of Ghana; a Japanese arts festival; a great increase in our library holdings in the Non-Western areas; maps for the Halleck Center classrooms; and many

other, less obvious, ways of upgrading the quality of "Joe Puma's" education.

I am in agreement that film entertainment is an important facet of campus social life, and I will continue to urge that something be done to provide at least adequate projection equipment for campus films. I am encouraged by what I hear concerning the successful showings of "Walking Tall: Part Two" and the "Marx Brothers Film Festival." I hope this portends a brighter future for viewing entertainment here.

John P. Posey
Director
Non-Western Core Program

Dear Students,

I have always been impressed by the comic strip "Doonesbury" written by Garry Trudeau. Trudeau seems to have an insight into what life is truly about, as well as an insight into what is best in life. One particular strip seems to apply to our life at Saint Joseph's. It goes as follows:

In the first frame we see the graduating class of a typical university listening to the guest speaker at the baccalaureate dinner. As the speaker concludes his speech, he says, "You men and women have had an opportunity that many Americans have not had. During your stay here at college for the last four years you have had the chance to experiment with many different values and beliefs. You have been able to experiment in an atmosphere where you were not condemned for your mistakes. Rather, you were prodded gently

by your fellow students to investigate further, thereby uncovering the errors of your thoughts."

As the guest speaker continues, the graduating class rises in anger, shaking their fists madly, and shouting, "We were never informed of this before. Why weren't these ideas presented in our catalog?"

The ideas Trudeau presented will not be found in any student course catalog. Nor will they ever be. These ideas should be the groundwork, the foundation, of our daily existence. Yet, how many of us actually live according to these ideals?

Every day I hear individuals ridiculing other students on campus because of their race or religious beliefs, or simply because of the hobbies they enjoy or the sport they play. Our different backgrounds, which are the greatest assets we can offer each other, are dissected and are used against us. One individual, who might have been brought up in a turbulent household, is ridiculed because he is quiet. Another individual, who has found liquor uninviting, is upended for his "unorthodox" beliefs. Aquinas residents are intellectuals; Drexel's are drug addicts; and Noll's are jocks.

Trudeau brings to light where the problem lies. We are all afraid to step out of the secure beliefs and habits which we have developed from childhood. But we need to experiment with these walls we have built around us. By taking a few bricks off the top and peeking over, we might find something we like. A true learning experience could occur and we could become happier in the end.

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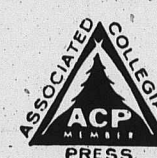


Greaser Weekend turned back the clocks as students rolled up their pants and slicked back their hair and danced to the tunes that were popular in the 50's. Frank Fuller (so-Gal.) and Paula Eaton (so-Jus.) pose for a picture at the Greaser Weekend mixer.

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Saint Joseph's Tom Gallant (24) zips through a maze of players for this layup in last Friday's 93-77 win over Northeastern. Tony Smith (52) and Gary Feagin (14) join several Northeastern players in watching Gallant's artistry.

SJC Cagers Show Progress

Saint Joseph's basketball Pumas have completed half of their demanding pre-holiday schedule that calls for 12 games in 21 days, and the team has made substantial progress that points to an interesting Indiana Collegiate Conference season when semester two arrives.

"Certainly the physical demands on our team in just playing such a challenging schedule are quite severe, but I'm generally pleased with the progress we have made up to this point," notes head coach George Waggoner. "A schedule like this can toughen you up in a hurry, and we've seen many good things happen so far."

He cites the consistently improving team defensive play and development of solid team depth as key items thus far, plus the club's growing intensity.

Balanced scoring turned the trick in the season opener Nov. 30 at Grace as Gerry Klamrowski led the show with 19 points, supported by Dave Downey (17), plus Gary Feagin and Kevin Sims (16 each) as the Pumas won, 99-90. The Pumas shot a nifty .500 (39 of 78) from the field and all 13 players making the trip saw action.

A big second half told the story in the home opener Dec. 1

against Illinois Benedictine as SJC struggled to 38-37 half-time lead before outscoring the Eagles 12-4 in the first four minutes of the second half to claim a 50-41 advantage that the visitors never recovered from.

Saint Joe gradually pulled away to a 94-80 victory, led by 22 points each from Sims and Kevin Merkell. Klamrowski added 16 points.

Superior depth led to the undoing of Northeastern here last Friday as the Pumas paraded 16 players into the fray, fired home 58 per cent of their field goal attempts, and overwhelmed the visitors from Chicago by 95-77. Klamrowski (17), Merkell (16), Ron Johnson (15) and Mike Haynes (14) led another balanced

scoring show as the Pumas bagged 51 of 70 field goals.

West Virginia had too much size and muscle for SJC Saturday in the Mountaineers' home gym as the hosts rolled to a 102-74 victory.

Winning ways returned, however, Monday against Franklin as the Pumas melted the Grizzlies with a pressure defense late in the first half that converted a 28-17 SJC disadvantage into a 42-34 Puma halftime lead in just over six minutes. SJC put Franklin away with ten unanswered points early in the second half that made the count 58-44 en route to a 93-77 win. Klamrowski was tops with 22 points, followed by Dalton (14), Downey (13) and Sims and Gallant (12 each).

PUMA PRINTS

Defense Spells Victory

Progress can be measured in many ways, and for Saint Joseph's basketball Pumas, signs of steady improvement are beginning to surface during this hectic pre-Christmas schedule that calls for 12 games in 21 days, with game sites ranging from West Virginia to Montana.

To start with, new coach George Waggoner is a disciple of the school of solid defense and rotating use of available manpower, and these strategies are beginning to pay off. A hustling, hounding man-to-man defense can wear an opponent down quickly, and Saint Joe has already left a few foes gasping for air and wondering how the hungry Pumas can devour an enemy offense so quickly.

"Solid defense is something you can play every game—it's a more constant thing than offense," Waggoner reasons. "Especially in difficult road games, your defense can pull you out when the offense hits one of those inevitable cold shooting nights."

Recent experience here at Collegeville lends weight to Waggoner's contention. Last year, for example, the Pumas were 17-11 overall but they lost ten of 14 road games. In fact, during 1974-75 and 1975-76 the Pumas set the unenviable school record of 11 consecutive losses on the road, eclipsing records previously set in 1947-49 and 1964-66.

Waggoner is fast building the best-drilled defensive team here since the ball-hawking squads of coach Jim Holstein in the late sixties and early seventies, and the Saints should prove far more competitive on cold-shooting nights now than they have been recently.

Manpower and depth is apparent in the Pumas' use of anywhere from ten to 16 players in most games so far, and most of the items that coaches Waggoner and assistant George Post would like to improve can be polished with hard work, concentration, and attention to detail.

Older veterans like Gerry Klamrowski and Ron Johnson are improving with each game, younger veterans like Dave Downey, Kevin Sims and Gary Feagin are displaying new skills every game, and newcomers like Kevin Merkell and Mike Haynes are fast turning into accomplished all-around performers.

One factor that will probably trouble SJC most of this season is rebounding, where the inside muscle of the graduated Kyle Wiggs will be sorely missed. Indiana Collegiate Conference foes like Butler and Evansville will enjoy a huge size and weight advantage at forward and center, but Merkell, Downey and Bobby Dalton can be counted on to reduce this factor to a minimum.

Yes Puma fans, the assets outweigh the liabilities and another fine basketball season is within reach. Admittedly the schedule is a back-breaker before Christmas and the slate is dotted with several huge foes who will be heavily favored over the Pumas.

But thanks to basketball program improvements, ranging from new coach Waggoner to the influx of newcomers Merkell and Haynes, doubters may well become believers before winter runs its course.

CONGRATULATIONS: A tip of the hat to the coaches and athletes in cross country, golf and volleyball following completion of their fall sports seasons. None of these teams posted winning records, but many young athletes gained valuable experience that should make for brighter times ahead in each program. Certainly a start has been made.



Cheerleaders for this year's varsity sports season are left to right, Diane Kachlik (fr.-Hal.), Claudia Donnelly (fr.-Jus.), Lisa Elliott (so.-Hal.), Teresa Elward (so.-Jus.), and Cheryl Graf (fr.-Jus.).

5 Pumas Join All-ICC Grid Team

Saint Joseph's Pumas have landed five players on the all-Indiana Collegiate Conference football team for 1976, and in an unprecedented accomplishment, all five of them won "most valuable" honors in voting conducted among the league's head coaches.

Split end Larry Olewinski (senior, Lorain, Ohio) and tackle Joe Lyons (junior, West Bend, Wis.) tied for most valuable offensive lineman honors, linebacker Ralph Waldecki (junior, Lorain, Ohio) and halfback Roy Kuennen (senior, Grand Rapids, Mich.) tied for most valuable defensive back honors, and Charlie Roarks (sophomore, Cates, Ind.) was named most valuable defensive lineman.

In addition to these first-team honors, the Pumas also landed five gridders on the league's second-team offensive and defensive squads. They are: guard Don Clemens (senior, Warsaw, Ind.), center Frank Sergi (senior, Indianapolis, Ind.), fullback Greg Duggin (junior, Upper Saddle River, N.J.), flanker Mike Palmore (junior, Oakland, Calif.) and defensive end Greg King (sophomore, Cincinnati, Ohio).

League coaches also voted their coach-of-the-year honor to SJC's Bill Jennings.

SCOREBOARD

VARSITY BASKETBALL

SJC 99, Grace 90
SJC 94, Illinois Benedictine 80
SJC 95, Northeastern (Ill.) 77
West Virginia 102, SJC 74
SJC 93, Franklin (Ind.) 77
Eastern Illinois 80, SJC 74
Dec. 11—Cincinnati, away
Dec. 13—Quincy, here, 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 17 & 18—Youngstown Tourney, away
Dec. 20—Eastern Montana, away
Dec. 21—Montana State, away
Jan. 6—Wisconsin-Platteville, here, 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 8—Butler, away
Jan. 12—Indiana Central, here 7:30 p.m.

A balanced run-and-pass offense combined with a clutch defense and solid speciality team play this fall on the Saint Joe gridiron to produce the Pumas' 6-3 record, the best overall mark among the six schools in the Indiana Collegiate Conference.

SJC rolled up 180.7 yards per game rushing, led by Tony Boley's 793 net yards in 173 carries (5.6 average, six TD's). Mike Palmore added 238 yards and five touchdowns, while Greg Duggin netted 232 and Larry Shelton had 209. The Pumas averaged 3.6 yards per carry and rushed for 18 touchdowns, compared to the foes' 3.1 average and six rushing TD's.

Jeff Taylor completed 87 passes, good for 1253 yards and four scores as the Pumas averaged 145.0 yards per game passing. Overall, SJC totaled 1305 aerial yards and five passing TD's while the opponents managed 1056 yards and seven scores through the air.

Larry Olewinski led in pass receiving with 22 receptions, good for 365 yards, while Duggin was close behind with 21 grabs, good for 194 yards. Palmore caught 20 for 351 yards and one score and Dan Abens also snared 20 for 346 yards and three touchdowns.

Punting was split between Ray Banary (26 kicks, 32.5 average) and Rick Siddall (25 kicks, 35.5 average), while Roy Kuennen and Olewinski dominated the return game statistics. Kuennen led in kickoff returns with 19 for 372 yards (19.6 average) and in punt returns with 15 for 87 yards (5.8 average) while Olewinski had five kickoff returns for 59 yards (13.8 average) and ten punt returns for 38 yards (3.8 average).

Kuennen also led the team in interceptions with six for 80 return yards and a 13.3 average. His 43-yard interception return against Valparaiso produced a 7-3 season-ending victory. Ralph Waldecki had three interceptions (54 return yards, 18.0 average) while Dan Lukas and John Zaworski had two interceptions each.

Greg Jenkins led in fumble recoveries with six, while Waldecki and Mark Lambert had two each. Myron Moriarity led in tackles with 71 solos and 63 assists, and other leaders here were: Waldecki 54 solos, 47 assists; Charlie Roarks 63 solos, 32 assists; Mark Greiner 37 solos, 45 assists; Lukas 45 solos, 35 assists, and Zaworski 42 solos, 35 assists.

Banary led the team in scoring with 37 points, coming on one touchdown, 19 PAT kicks and four field goals. Palmore and Boley both had 36 points with six touchdowns each. Overall, the Pumas outscored the foes, 180-115.

Team totals show the Pumas led the foes in total plays, 642-613, and in total offense, 2931-2398. SJC also led in first downs by 167-124, with the big edge coming in first downs by rushing, 98-70.

IM Preview

BY BOB CRAMER

With the end of the semester approaching, I think it's a good time to look back on what has taken place in IM's so far. This semester there have been seven events, including tennis, mixed doubles tennis, paddleball, football (men's and women's), women's volleyball, and men's basketball. Men's basketball will continue into second semester and end in late February.

Next semester there are many events lined up for both men and women. These sports include floor hockey, basketball (men's and women's), wrestling, co-ed volleyball, track (men's and women's), women's tennis and softball. Weekend events like three-on-three basketball, a free-throw contest, and possibly a superstars competition are also being planned.

Additional details will be announced early in the second semester.

Christmas At Saint Joseph's . . .



Let us honor Him simply with gentle care for those we love, the love we speak of made real, the peace we hope for come true--imagine it in one time, in one place, in one person. The Christ child brings gifts we must grow enough to receive. Believe in Him and in each other for God's birth is an act of faith in mankind.

Lord, bless us with love, teach us the simple joy of love for each other--help us make of mankind a family, open our hearts with renewed hope this Christmas. Show us the joy of living in peace -- this is our prayer this Christmas.

Be of good cheer, and may the peace of Christmas be with you now and every day of the New Year.

Merry Christmas

